

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1024 - SB 1099

March 27, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (006754): Establishes a fine of \$10,000 for a violation of the Tennessee Heritage Protection Act. Requires that moneys from such fine be deposited into a separate account within the General Fund, to be called the Tennessee Historic Preservation Fund (Fund), to be used exclusively for the preservation, repair, refurbishment, and conservation of memorials. In cases where the THC cannot collect a fine pursuant to this act, the Attorney General's Office (AG) is authorized to file a suit to collect the fine.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Based on information provided by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, this legislation will have no significant impact on the operations of the THC.
- It is assumed that state and local government departments and agencies will, in general, comply with this new act to prevent being fined under this act.
- Any increase in state revenue from fines under this act will be allocated to the Fund to be used for the preservation, repair, refurbishment, and conservation of memorials. However, any such increase is assumed to be not significant.
- This legislation will have no significant impact on the number of court cases handled by the AG.
- A small increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local government revenue from fees, taxes and costs collected. These expenditures and revenue are estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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